



Minnesota Dragonfly Society
Board Meeting Agenda & Minutes
10/17/24
6:45-8:00pm (6:30 social time)

Gathering of members & guests

- **Current board members:** Leah Darst, Clinton Dexter-Nienhaus, Kat Dickerson, Dave Doyle, Jeff Fischer, Ron Lawrenz, Kurt Mead, Mike Moen, Cathy Perkins, Emily Schilling
- **Quorum:** 5+ people
- **Attending board members:** Leah Darst, Dave Doyle, Jeff Fischer, Ron Lawrenz, Mike Moen, Cathy Perkins, Kat Dickerson
- **Attending guests:** None
- **Called to order:** 6:47

Previous meeting minutes

- **From board meeting held on:** Sept 19
- **Approval:** Leah, Ron

Treasurer & committee reports

- **Treasurer (Perk):** [Treasurer Report by Cathy Perkins for October 2024 - Google Docs](#)
We had excellent sales at Raptor Release totalling \$405. This is our largest sale at this event.
- **Research (Emily, Ron, Kurt, Curt):**
 - Ron reported
 - No new plans to go back to UofMN Insect Collection
 - He is starting to organize his notes
 - He and Emily are talking about some other work
- **Communications (Perk, Leah):**
 - Renewal processed: Assumed Name - Annual Renewal - Nonprofit Corporation Domestic with the filing date of 10/17/2024 has been filed for the Minnesota Dragonfly Society with the Minnesota Secretary of State due no later than 12/31/2024. Email notification of completion received from the Secretary of State's office plus copy of documentation processed.
 - Ron talked to Plymouth Magazine
 - He talked with someone for about 45 minutes
 - He needs to send some info to help with the authors writing
 - Article will come out in spring
- **Outreach (Leah, Perk, Marti):**

- Leah
 - John A doing Lunch and Learn event in December
 - 3 events already for 2025
 - Perk agreed to one
 - Leah to send out info on these events

Other business

- Bylaws revision (ld)
 - Discussion of proposed changes such as timing of annual meeting
 - For 2025 we need to have the meeting in January. After this next meeting changes to the bylaws, then in 2026 we can have it at another time.
 - Maybe change future Annual Meeting to April before flight season
 - Could move meeting and training to be in other areas of the state besides the Twin Cities
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- Annual meeting (ld)
 - Need to find a location.
 - These places offered meeting locations
 - Harriet Alexander Nature Center
 - Three Rivers Park District - Eastman Nature Center
 - More info in To Do List actionables below
 - Emily to do the Research Year in Review at Annual Meeting
 - Approve updated Bylaws
 - Could do a mini training and/or Species to look for with sites
 - Auction
 - Ron still has stuff to get rid of
 - Perk agreed to organize the auction

Adjournment

- 8:03
 - Move to Adjourn: Dave, Perk 2nd
 - Approved

To do list (actionables)

- Add comments and revisions to the bylaws on [this document](#) by clicking on the pencil icon near the top right corner of the window and clicking on 'suggesting'. **(all)**
 - Due by end of October
- Scott King project update? **(Kurt will reach out to Ami)**
 - Kurt working on this with Ami to see what she could do.
- Add photos to Google Drive (photos folder) WITH photographer/event names please! **(all)**
 - folders for each photographer ok; separate between odes & events
 - <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1mpV2Zfncr53X8ALQtonvIHwe80OCUK5r>
- Work on rules for photos and release form/statement **(Leah & Perk)**

- Find & create a process to organize & file historical docs (**Mike**)
- Start to work on Tentative June 2025 Summer Gathering at Itasca State Park (**Mike and Emily**)
 - Tentative plan weekend of June 20
 - Set aside Cabin 7 which sleeps around 11.
- Leah to edit Wild ones section of Sept meeting minutes (done)
- Leah to accept basic bylaw changes and highlight remaining suggested changes for review later (done)
- Discuss with Emily and others to decide what to do with all equipment that is at Perks house
- Leah to summarize the known 2025 events
- Mike to review Event request sheet and look for space to hold the Annual Meeting.
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RhO2QTY50baNVydRkDSs9p3_HNCO-65aXxlQcbu6mJs/edit?pli=1&gid=771742210#gid=771742210
 - Likely need to have it Jan 11, or 18. Leah traveling on Jan 25. Use Jan 4 as last resort. Could also look at Sundays if booked.
 - Send potential sites are documented above. Leah to contact them to see if we can use either of them for the proposed dates
 - Harriet Alexander Nature Center
 - Three Rivers Park District - Eastman Nature Center
- Ron to start a list of where to find unusual species

Projects non-Board volunteers can do:

- Create a handout to recruit new members at workshops (postcard format or business card format/size)
- Organize & file historical docs (need to create a process first)
- Go through historical docs to complete the board member history
- Assist in completing a complete inventory